

Need for Information: 33 CFR Parts 66 and 67 authorize the Coast Guard to collect and process the information furnished from the private aids applications to ensure that private aids to navigation appropriately mark the associated hazard or waterway.

Estimated Annual Burden: The estimated burden is 3,200 hours annually.

3. Title: Course Approvals for Merchant Marine Training Schools.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0111.

Affected Public: Merchant Marine Training Schools.

Abstract: The collection of information requires the approval of course materials and the inspection of training facilities.

Need for Information: Title 46 U.S.C. 7315, authorizes the Coast Guard to review course materials from approved training schools and to inspect training facilities to ensure they meet the minimum standards.

Estimated Annual Burden: The estimated burden is 3,460 hours annually.

4. Title: Plan approval and Records for Existing Tank Vessels of 20,000 to 40,000 Deadweight Tons Carrying Oil in Bulk.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0520.

Affected Public: U.S. and foreign tank vessel owners.

Abstract: The Collection of Information requires owners of U.S. vessels to submit documents such as plans, calculations, specifications and manuals to the Coast Guard for its review and that foreign vessel owners may also submit these documents in order to obtain Coast Guard certification that their vessels comply with the standards.

Need for Information: 46 U.S.C. 3703 provides the Coast Guard with general authority to regulate the design, construction, alteration, repair, maintenance, operation and equipping of vessels carrying oil in bulk.

Estimated Annual Burden: The estimated burden is 22 hours annually.

5. Title: International Oil Pollution Prevention (IOPP) Certificates.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0526.

Affected Public: Ship owners/operators engaging in international voyages.

Abstract: The Collection of Information requires U.S. and foreign oil tankers of 150 gross tons and above and other ships of 400 gross tons and above (that are party to MARPOL 73/78), to be surveyed during inspection or reinspection and after a satisfactory survey, be issued an International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate by the Coast Guard, to be maintained on board the ship.

Need for Information: Title 33 U.S.C. 1901-1911 gives the Coast Guard the authority to ensure that all ships engaging in international voyages comply with the International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate requirements.

Estimated Annual Burden: The estimated burden is 125 hours annually.

6. Title: Barges Carrying Bulk Hazardous Material.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Control Number: 2115-0541.

Affected Public: Barges Carrying Bulk Hazardous Material.

Abstract: The Collection of Information requires tank barges to submit an application for inspection, new tank vessels over 300 feet in length must have loading information approved by the Coast Guard and new or modified barges stability calculations must be approved by the Coast Guard.

Need for Information: Under 46 U.S.C. 3703, the Coast Guard was delegated the authority to implement regulations to ensure the safe transport of bulk hazardous materials on tank barges.

Estimated Annual Burden: The estimated burden is 12,009 hours annually.

ADDRESS: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention OST Desk Officer.

Comments are Invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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DOT Partnership Council Meeting

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Transportation, Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Transportation (DOT) announces a meeting of the DOT Partnership Council (the Council). Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

TIME AND PLACE: The Council will meet on October 31, 1996, at 2:00 p.m., at the U.S. Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, room 10234-10238, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The room is located on the 10th floor.

TYPE OF MEETING: These meetings will be open to the public. Seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should contact DOT to obtain appropriate accommodations.

POINT OF CONTACT: John E. Budnik or Jean B. Lenderking, Labor-Employee Relations Office, Department of Transportation, Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street, SW., room 9107, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-9439 or (202) 366-8085, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to finalize the Council Operating Principles and address optimum approaches for achieving goals identified in the Council's charter.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: We invite interested persons and organizations to submit comments. Mail or deliver your comments or recommendations to Mr. John Budnik or Ms. Jean Lenderking at the address shown above. Comments should be received by October 22 in order to be considered at the October 31 meeting.

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For the Department of Transportation.

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